Duty concession for the production of Ampicillin Sodium Sterile

770. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are duty concessions which have been given on the inputs used for the production of Ampicillin Sodium Sterile;

(b) what is the quantum of these concessions per unit of production;

(c) whether it is a fact that a number of instances of overcharging of prices of Ampicillin Sodium Sterile and formulations based on this drug have come to the notice of this Ministry;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) what are the names of units whose cost was studied by BICP and on what basis the price of this drug was fixed;

(f) what is the indigenous price and what is the landed cost of import of this drug; and

(g) what is the quantity of this drug exported by each unit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b) The production of Ampicillin Sodium Sterile is being undertaken from Ampicillin Tryhydrate which is produced indigenously.

(c) and (d) No, Sir.

(e) The BICP studied the cost structure of M/s Pace Laboratories Limited, Bombay.

(f) The indigenous price of Ampicillin Sodium Sterile is Rs. 2941/- per kg. At the time of BICP study the c.i.f. cost of this drug was Rs. 1882/- per kg. The custom duty was levied on this drug @ 105%.

(g) Company-wise exports of drugs are not monitored.

Drug Price Control Order, 1979

771. SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that DPCO, 1979 was based on Hathi Committee Report;

(b) what were the reasons to change Drugs Price Control Order, 1979;

(c) whether it is a fact that Drugs Price Control Order, 1987 is based on the measures announced in 1986;

(d) whether it is a fact that a number of measures announced in 1986 have not been incorporated in DPCO, 1987; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and steps taken so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) DPCO, 1979 was based on the decisions taken by the Government on Hathi Committee Report.

(b) to (e) DPCO, 1987 is based on measures announced in 1986 wherein the basic approach towards pricing has been laid down in conformity with the principle of selectivity recommended by the Hathi Committee. Almost all measures announced in 1986 in regard to pricing have been incorporated in DPCO, 1987.

Amount paid to Indian Drugs and Pharmaceutical Ltd., and Hindustan Antibiotics Limited

772. HRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what was the amount paid to IDPL and HAL during 1986-87, 1987-88 and 1988-89 from DPEA:

(b) whether it is a fact that these companies have been paid excess amount;

(c) what was the amount due to each and what was excess paid amount;